UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN (89-43) (P*) DATE: 6/7/71

FROM: SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS,
11/22/63
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 6/3/71 an individual identifying himself only as AL CHAPMAN, telephonically contacted the writer stating he was a resident of Dallas and desired to talk to the writer about the assassination of President KENNEDY. He stated that he had contacted the U. S Attorney's Office in Dallas and had been informed he should make any information he had available concerning captioned matter to the writer who is familiar with all phases of same.

When inquiry was made as to what specifically he desired to know he stated he wanted to have the authorities subpoena certain Dallas police officers before a convening body where they could be placed under oath and asked questions concerning captioned matter. During the conversation he was unable to give any specifics other than to state he was curious about the shell casings found at the scene of the assassination and the alleged shell casing found on a stretcher at Parkland Hospital. He stated during the conversation that he was considering writing a book and furthermore that any information he had would have to be made known to other people before it were made known to the writer.

When asked what other people he was referring to he refused to devulge same. He would not furnish any further identifying data concerning himself and he was advised that in the event he had any pertinent information which he felt was of value in captioned matter he should set forth same in a letter directed to this office and it would be made known to the appropriate authorities in Washington.

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This request of CHAPMAN was made when he stated he would have to have the writer come to see him immediately as he did not have any transportation and he claimed he was in the area of Harry Hines Blvd.

When the request to submit his information by letter was made he then commented, "I think you should also know some information I have about the Mafia". When pressed for this information he stated that the Liquified Petroleum Gas Company in Irving, Texas, was believed by him to be a front for the Mafia. He refused to furnish any further details as to why he thought this company was a front and would not devulge any information or the source which had led him to believe this to be so.

This individual appeared to be seeking information rather than giving it. The above is being made a matter of record should he again endeavor to obtain information relating to the assassination investigation.